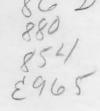
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### OFFICE OF THE MEDICAL EXAMINER OF HARRIS COUNTY

HARRIS COUNTY COURT HOUSE HOUSTON, TEXAS 77002

#### AUTOPSY REPORT

CASE 73 - 3329

August 8, 1973

#### PATHOLOGICAL DIAGNOSES ON THE BODY

OF

Dean Arnold Corll 2020 Lamar Street Pasadena, Texas

- Gunshot wounds of left chest (1) and back (3).
- Gunshot wound of head, nonpenetrating (1).
- Gunshot wound of left shoulder, subcutaneous (1).

#### OPINION

It is our opinion that the decedent, Dean Arnold Corll, came to his death as a result of gunshot wounds of left chest (1) and back (3) - Homicide.

Joseph A. Jachimczyk, M.D., J.D. Chief Medical Examiner

Ethel E. Erickson, M.D.

Assistant Medical Examiner

#### POSTMORTEM EXAMINATION ON THE BODY OF

Dean Arnold Corll 2020 Lamar Street Pasadena, Texas

HISTORY: This 33 year old white man was shot and killed at the above address at 8:30 a.m. on August 8, 1973.

AUTOPSY: The autopsy was performed by Assistant Medical Examiner Ethel E. Erickson, M.D., at the request of Chief Medical Examiner Joseph A. Jachimczyk, M.D., beginning at 11:25 a.m. on August 8, 1973, in the Harris County Morgue.

EXTERNAL APPEARANCE: The body was that of a 33 year old white man, measuring 71 inches in length and weighing 190 pounds. There was no rigor mortis present. The head was covered with brown hair, measuring up to 4 inches in length at the crown. There was a quishot entrance wound on the right forehead above the lateral margin of the right eyebrow. It was situated at a point 3 inches superior and 2-1/2 inches anterior to the right external auditory meatus. The wound measured 1/4 inch in diameter and had ragged, inverted, slightly charred edges with no powder stippling or powder flash. There was an oblique 1/2 inch blunt laceration just to the left and above the bridge of the nose. The eyes were gray. The pupils were round and equal. The sclerae were clear. The nose was intact. Blood exuded from the nostrils and the mouth. There was a considerable amount of dried blood over the entire face. The neck was grossly intact. The chest was proportionate and symmetrical. There was a gunshot wound of entrance in the left chest at a point 7 inches below the suprasternal notch and 7-1/4 inches to the left of the mid line. It measured 1/4 inch in diameter and had ragged, inverted, slightly charred edges, with no powder flash or stippling. The abdomen was flat with no scars. The external genitalia were those of an adult circumcised male-type with both testes in the scrotum. The lower extremities were symmetrical with no pitting edema. The upper extremities were symmetrical. The nail beds were slightly cyanotic. There was a gunshot wound of entrance in the mid upper back at a point 4 inches below the foramen magnum and 1 inch to the right of the mid line. It measured 1/4 inch in diameter and had ragged, inverted, slightly charred edges. There was a gunshot entrance wound on the left shoulder at a point 3 inches below the foramen magnum and 3-1/2 inches to the left of the mid line. This also measured 1/4 inch in

diameter and had ragged, inverted edges. There was another gunshot wound at a point 5-1/2 inches below the foramen magnum and 9 inches to the left of the mid line. This measured 1/4 inch in diameter and had ragged, inverted edges. There was another gunshot wound at a point 8-1/2 inches below the foramen magnum and 9-1/4 inches to the left of the mid line. It measured 3/8 inch in diameter and had ragged edges with some ecchymosis around the adjacent skin. The cerebrospinal fluid was clear.

INTERNAL EXAMINATION: Section: The body was opened with the usual Y-shaped incision. There was 3/4 inch of yellow adipose tissue in the mid line. The left pleural cavity contained 1 quart of fluid and clotted blood. The right pleural cavity contained 1 pint of fluid and clotted blood. The abdominal cavity contained a few cc. of blood. A .22 caliber bullet with a copper nose was recovered from the inferior margin of the right upper lobe. Another misshapen .22 caliber bullet was recovered from the muscle above and behind the right clavicle. Still another bullet was recovered from the vertebral column on the left side at the level of the clavicle.

HEART: The heart weighed 370 grams. The coronary arteries contained a few small atheromatous plaques, but they were patent. On cut surfaces, the myocardium was brown with no areas of scarring. The valve orifices were proportionate and the valve leaflets were delicate. The coronary ostia were widely patent.

LUNGS: The lungs together weighed 1020 grams. There was a gunshot wound. There was considerable blast effect in the right lung, where the tissue was markedly hemorrhagic. There was a gunshot tear in the left hilus of the lung. There was considerable hemorrhage due to blast effect in the left lobe. The gunshot went through the left lower lobe of the lung into the spinal column. The lung tissue was gray-pink.

LIVER: The liver weighed 1730 grams. There was a linear oblique gunshot wound, measuring 1-1/2 inches in length, in the undersurface of the left lobe of the liver. The gallbladder contained 5 cc. of bile and no gallstones. The cut surfaces of the liver were brown, congested, and torn at the margins of the gunshot tract.

Pancreas and Adrenals: The pancreas and adrenals were not remarkable.

SPLEEN: The spleen weighed 190 grams. The cut surfaces were slightly congested.

GENITOURINARY TRACT: The kidneys together weighed 275 grams. The capsules stripped with ease, revealing a smooth pale surface. The cut surfaces appeared as usual. No change was noted in the pelves or ureters. The urinary bladder was empty. The testes were similar in shape and size. On cut surfaces, there was light tan tubular tissue present. The epididymides were not remarkable.

GASTROINTESTINAL TRACT: The lining of the esophagus was gray-white. There was conspicuous periesophageal hemorrhage present and hematoma formation. The stomach contained 2 ounces of slightly bloody red-brown fluid. There was a gunshot entrance into the fundus of the stomach.

ORGANS OF THE NECK: The strap muscles were intact. The hyoid bone was intact. No change was noted in the epiglottis, larynx, or upper trachea. The thyroid gland was of usual size.

HEAD: The scalp was reflected in the usual coronal fashion. There was marked subgaleal hemorrhage present in the region of the gunshot wound. The bullet did not penetrate the calvarium, but merely traveled underneath the scalp of the forehead, from right toward left, and was recovered from the galea, at a point 2-1/2 inches to the left of the entrance wound. It was a markedly deformed, flattened, 0.22 caliber bullet. It was placed in a special container for safekeeping. The brain weighed 1430 grams. The leptomeninges were delicate. The cerebral hemispheres, cerebellum, pons, and medulla oblongata were symmetrical and proportionate. The vessels at the base of the brain, including the basilar and vertebral arteries, were delicate. No change was noted in the gray and white matter on serial cut surfaces of the cerebral hemispheres and on horizontal cut surfaces of the pons, medulla oblongata, and cerebellum.

PATHS OF THE MISSILES: The bullet which entered the head at a point 3 inches superior and 2-1/2 inches anterior to the right external auditory meatus traveled through the galea, beneath the scalp, and was recovered at a point 2-1/2 inches to the left. It went from right toward left. It was placed in a special container for safekeeping.

The bullet that entered the left chest at a point 7 inches below the suprasternal notch and 7-1/4 inches to the left of the mid line passed through the left diaphragm. It hit the left lobe of the liver on the undersurface and entered the stomach. This bullet was not found in the gastric contents nor the contents of the small or large intestine and was not visualized on X-rays taken. This bullet went from left toward right, from head to toe at approximately a 35 degree angle, went through the diaphragm, nicked the left lobe of the liver, entered the stomach, but was not recovered.

The bullet that entered the mid back at a point 4 inches below the foramen magnum and 1 inch to the right of the mid line went from back toward front and slightly from right toward left. It was recovered from the left side of the vertebral column just below the level of the clavicle.

The bullet that entered the left shoulder at a point 3 inches below the foramen magnum and 3-1/2 inches to the left of the mid line went from left toward right, through the muscle plane, and was recovered just above the right clavicle. It was a distorted .22 caliber bullet.

The bullet that entered the left back at a point 5 inches below the foramen magnum and 9 inches to the left of the mid line went from left toward right, from back toward front, practically on a horizontal plane, and was recovered from the left lung. It also was a .22 caliber bullet.

The bullet that entered the left back at a point 8-1/2 inches below the foramen magnum and 9-1/4 inches to the left of the mid line entered the left pleural cavity through the 5th interspace. It caused a gunshot wound and marked blast effect in the left

lung. This bullet was not recovered. It apparently was sucked up into aspirated blood from the pleural cavity.

Four .22 caliber bullets were recovered. They were labeled at the base with an "E" and placed in a special container for safe-keeping.

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September 27, 1973

This date, September 27, 1973, James A. Zotter, Chemist and Toxicologist, Houston Police Department, received head hair and pubic hair from Case 73 - 3329, Dean Arnold Corll, hair samples (head) from Cases 73 - 3333, 73 - 3334 and 73 - 3335, and samples of both types of cord which was recovered.

James A. Zotter

Joseph A. Jachimczyk, M.D., J.D.

Chief Medical Examiner

## MEDICAL EXAMINER Harris County Houston, Texas

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3	Narcotics - Negative (blo	ood)	
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INVESTIGATOR'S REPORT

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Case No. 73 - 3329

Investigator: M. C. Escobar

E. G. Knowles

Decedent: Dean Arnold Corll Race W Sex M Age 33

Address: 2020 Lamar Street, Pasadena, Texas

Approx. Time 8:30 A.M. Death: August 8, 1973

Place of Death: 2020 Lamar Street, Pasadena, Texas

Place of Inquest: 2020 Lamar Street, Pasadena, Texas

Location, Position, and Surroundings of Body: The decedent was lying in the hallway on his stomach with a

Date and Time of Inquest: August 8, 1973 9:15

Clothing:

The decedent was nude.

telephone at his feet.

Information:

The decedent was at home having a sex party. On the bedroom floor was a sheet of plywood, 8 feet long, with four handcuffs and several artificial articles used by the "gay" boys. There was also a 14 inch firm rubber penis with a head on each end. The decedent was supposed to have had two of the young males and a young female handcuffed to the board. One of the males told him to let him loose and he would help the decedent to kill the other two. The decedent did so and the young male got the decedent's pistol and admitted shooting him in "self defense". This young male then released the other two and called the Pasadena Police Department, Pasadena, Texas. Officer Jamison, Unit 363, made the scene first and called for a car. Detectives Mullican and Lawrence also made the scene. The three young people were taken to the Police station for statements.

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Property:

There was no property involved.

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Aguirre; Johnny Ray Delone

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There ARE Pictures

Dr. Jachimczyk testified 7-10-74 through 7-11-74

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Dean Arnold Corll

August 8, 1975

Newspaper clippings are in a Notebook.

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STATE OF TEXAS

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TO THE HARRIS COUNTY MEDICAL EXAMINER

COUNTY OF HARRIS XXX

BEFORE ME, The undersigned authority on this date, personally appeared the undersigned Affiant, who after being duly sworn by me did deposeth and sayeth;

I, ARNOLD CORLL being the: Husband, Wife, Father, Mother,
Brother, Sister, Daughter, or other (Describe STATHER
) of DEAN ARNOLD CORLL, deceased,
Medical Legal No. Race Cauc Sex M. Age
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My commission expires:

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